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ARIZONA STILL A TERRITORY

The United States senate has spoken, and Arizona remains an integral part of the American union.

The statehood bill, as it finally passed the senate last night, is more favorable to this territory than our people had dared to hope. The most that was looked for was the elimination of both Arizona and New Mexico from the bill, with the consequent probability that efforts would be renewed in the next congress to unite the two territories into one state. As matters stand, New Mexico takes her place as a sovereign state, and Arizona remains as the only territory within the old boundaries of the United States.

The parliamentary status of the bill is such, however, that the action of the senate is not conclusive. Still the probabilities are that the bill will go to the president substantially as it now comes from the senate.

Following the usual and necessary procedure, the bill must be returned to the house, where it originally passed. Upon the receipt of the amended bill from the senate, Speaker Cannon will put the question to the house of representatives: "Shall the house concur in the bill as amended?" If the house votes to concur, the bill is complete and goes to President Roosevelt for his signature. If the house votes not to concur, the senate will be officially notified to that effect, and a conference asked for. The president pro tempore of the senate will appoint a committee (probably of three senators) to confer with a committee from the house. Speaker Cannon will appoint a committee on behalf of the house. The majority of each committee will be republicans. The two committees will meet in conference, and endeavor to settle the difference between the two houses. If the two committees are able to report to their respective houses that they have reached an agreement in conference, it is practically certain that their action will be ratified by each house. If an agreement can not be reached in conference, the members appointed to the conference duty will be discharged, new committees will be appointed, and so on until an agreement is reached.

Speaker Cannon is known to be opposed to the admission of either New Mexico or Arizona, and he may appoint a conference committee the majority of which will be firmly opposed to the inclusion of New Mexico in the bill. In that case there is a possibility that the senate through its committee will recede from its position taken last night in favor of statehood for New Mexico. The vote admitting that territory was very close—42 to 40—and a conference report in favor of dropping New Mexico would doubtless meet the approval of a majority in the senate.

But the chances seem largely in favor of favorable action in the house toward our sister territory. Congress is tired of the statehood question, and is anxious to dispose of it as far as possible. Moreover, the proposed state of Oklahoma will be democratic by 20,000 and New Mexico is republican. From the partisan standpoint a new republican state should offset a new democratic state—and in the final analysis there is little but politics in statehood questions. There can be no possible doubt that Arizona would have been as fortunate as New Mexico, last night, if this territory could be classed as a republican territory. That is the way the senate has looked at the question, and the house is likely to be moved by the same political considerations, and assent to the admission of New Mexico.

It is to be hoped, for the sake of justice as well as the good of Arizona, that New Mexico will not be denied admission. If the bill goes through as passed by the senate the prospects for early statehood for Arizona will be greatly improved. The attention of the country will be concentrated on the claims of this territory hereafter, and a few short years will bring statehood to us.—Phoenix Republican, Feb. 8.

The Recorder's Office

The Prescott Journal-Miner, in speaking of the manner in which the office of recorder of Yavapai county and the same office in Coconino county is being conducted in a financial way, pays Recorder Harry C. Hibben the following high compliment. It is one that is approved by every tax payer in this county. It has only been in the last four years that the recorder's office has been a source of income to this county, and it is entirely through the business and executive ability of Mr. Hibben that such is the fact: "Now to contrast this with the recorder's office of Coconino county, where we are told that Recorder Hibben made a profit of over \$12,000 for the county or a little over \$3,000 per year without employing a deputy at the expense of the county. And during a portion of this period, during his leisure time, when not busy in the recorder's office as a sort of avocation he acted in the capacity of clerk of the board of supervisors."

Recorder Hibben's last annual report showed total amount collected during his four years' term as recorder as follows: Total receipts for filing, \$19,938; expenses of office, \$7,400. Profits to county, \$12,538.

The total receipts of the county recorder's office in Yavapai county for January were \$640; the total expense \$500.

The amount paid over to Treasurer Devine by Recorder Hibben for January was \$693.20. The total expenses of office were only \$166.66.

Found Dead on the Desert

Deputy Sheriff Fred R. Ferguson received a message Monday afternoon, stating that a dead body had been found about four miles north of Ash Fork. He informed Coroner E. N. Crawford, and they left on No. 7 to investigate. The body is thought to be that of James Anderson, who came to Ash Fork from St. Louis to work at the Harvey House in July, 1903, and the next morning after his arrival at Ash Fork started out for a walk and was never seen or heard of again. The description of the coat and shoes he wore on the morning of his disappearance tallied with those found on the body.

Coroner Crawford empaneled a jury, composed of J. H. Foley, foreman; W. K. Ross, W. Spencer, J. D. Bishop, C. A. Smith and J. L. Munds, and after considering all the facts obtainable, returned a verdict as follows:

We, the jury, empaneled and sworn to look into the matter of the dead body found in Coconino county, Arizona, two and a half miles northwest of Ash Fork, by B. Matistas, on the 5th day of February, 1905, find, to the best of our knowledge and belief, after viewing the body and examining the following witnesses: H. Van Allen, Julius March and Florence Baer, that the body is that of one James Anderson, who disappeared from Ash Fork, Arizona, on or about July 23th, 1903, and that he came to his death by unknown cause to us.

The remains were removed to Ash Fork and were there interred by Undertaker Button.

The Late Thomas Blackwood

Deceased was born in Indiana. When very young he went to Gallup, N. M., where he grew to manhood. He worked in the coal mines of New Mexico until February, 1896, when he went to work for the Santa Fe railroad company, and in whose employ he was in continuously and had worked up through the ranks to the position of locomotive engineer, in which capacity he came to his untimely death. He was considered one of the best men in the service.

A little over six years ago he married Miss Maggie Kelly, one of Winslow's favorite daughters, brought up in this vicinity, and who has the entire sympathy of the whole community. Their union was blessed by two dear little children, now fatherless by the cruel hand of fate.

The funeral was held from the residence of his mother-in-law, Mrs. C. Kelly, on Tuesday, February 2nd, at two o'clock, p. m. and proceeded to the Winslow cemetery.—Winslow Mail.

M. E. Church Notes.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; subject:—"The Second Miracle in Cana." John 4:43-54.

Morning service at 11; subject, "Walking With an Unknown Friend."

Junior Epworth League, 2:30 p. m. subject, "The people of the City." Psal. 127:1.

Epworth League at 6:45 p. m.; subject, "Christ a Servant—and We Are Servants." Phil. 2:3-11.

Evening service at 7:30; subject, "The Handwriting On the Wall." Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

Everybody welcome.
E. G. DECKER, Pastor.

Notice

The Daughters of Rebekah will give a masquerade ball on the night of Feb. 21. A prize of a handsome cut glass fruit bowl will be given to the best character representation.



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COUNTY RECORDS

The following is the weekly report of instruments filed in the recorder's office for the week ending Feb. 8, 1905:

E. B. Perrin and wife to United States, 3 deeds of relinquishments on forest reserve lands.
E. P. Howell to C. J. Babbitt, bill of sale, cattle.
C. H. Alger, butcher's bond.
R. J. Walton to C. J. Babbitt, chat mortgage.
T. E. Pollock to United States, deed, forest reserve land.
R. H. Cameron, affidavit of labor of Captain Burro mining claims.
W. K. Ross to Frank Owenby, bill of sale.

Notice to Teachers

The regular quarterly examination for teacher's certificates will be held at the county court house in Flagstaff, Coconino county, Arizona, on Monday and Tuesday, March 6-7, 1905. Daily sessions from 9 to 12 a. m. and from 1 to 4 p. m.
J. S. AMUNDSEN,
County Superintendent.

Card of Thanks

I desire to extend my sincere thanks to my friends and the citizens for the many favors shown at the funeral of my late husband, and to thank them for the sympathy extended.

MRS. THOMAS BLACKWOOD.

As was expected, I. L. Hibbard, superintendent of the Los Angeles division of the Santa Fe, has been appointed to succeed S. J. Shepard, resigned. J. R. Hitchcock, assistant to General Manager Wells, will succeed Mr. Hibbard as superintendent of the Los Angeles division, with offices at San Bernardino, Cal. W. H. Brewster will succeed Mr. Hitchcock as assistant to the general manager. These appointments give good satisfaction to the working forces of the Santa Fe.

The entertainment to be given by the Ernest Gamble Recital Company at the opera house Thursday evening under the auspices of Aerie 751, F. O. E. was canceled, owing to the non-arrival of the train carrying the troupe, which did not arrive until about mid night.

Turkey Shoot

Sunday Feb. 19th at gun club grounds. J. C. Phelan.

Letter List.

The following is the list of letters remaining uncalled for at the postoffice, Williams, Arizona, for the week ending Feb. 11, 1905. These letters will be sent to the dead letter office March 4, 1905, if not called for before that time:

Anselmo, Frank Reed, Mrs. B.
Bersanti, Michele Smith, Chas.
Chauk, Wm. Stone, Mrs. Russell
Churchill, Oscar.

MEXICAN.
Ballejos, Aniceto Lopes, Anastacio
Belardo, Victor Martinez, Jesus
Beltran, Ignacia Torres, Geronimo.
Persons calling for the above letters should say "advertised."
F. W. SMITH,
Postmaster.

ORDINANCE No. 34.

An Ordinance to Amend an Ordinance, Entitled "An Ordinance Imposing a Tax on All Dogs Running at Large Within the Town of Williams, and Providing for their Extermination When Said Tax is Not Paid."

Be it Ordained by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Williams, as follows: SECTION 1. That Section 1 of an Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance Imposing a Tax on All Dogs Running at Large Within the Town of Williams, and Providing for their Extermination When Said Tax is Not Paid," be and the same is hereby amended so as to be and read as follows, to-wit:

Section 1. Every person who owns, keeps or harbors in the town of Williams, any dog or dogs, shall pay an annual license tax therefor of One Dollar (\$1.00) for each male dog and Two Dollars (\$2.00) for each female dog, he or she so owns, keeps or harbors in said town.

Section 2. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after its passage, first publication and first posting. This Ordinance after having been read at full length by the Town Clerk, was passed by a majority vote of the members of the Common Council of the Town of Williams, and presented to the Mayor for his signature, and signed by him, and attested by the Town Clerk, this, the 7th day of January, A. D. 1905.

(SEAL) F. R. NELLIS, Mayor.
E. G. DeBois, Town Clerk.
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